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Applicants have become aware of the following printed publications which may be material to the examination of this application:

- U.S. Patent No. 5,948,274 on 09/07/99 to Lyon *et al.*
- U.S. Patent No. 5,456,829 on 10/10/95 to Brown
- YK-50HS Hand Skimmer (For Emergency Purposes),
<http://www.worldchemusa.com/ocprod11.htm> (01/29/01);
- Drumit, The drum filling vacuum head with auto shut off, *Elastec American Marine*, <http://www.elastec.com.drimit.html> (01/26/01).

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